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# MANY NAZIS APPREHENDED THE WORLD OVER AS EICHMANN TIPS OFF ISRAELIS

## Killer Of European Jews Must Eat Kosher Food In Israeli Jail

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). The circumstances of Eichmann's dramatic arrest and arrival in Israel, will, apparently, never be disclosed or, at least not in the near future, and not by Israeli sources—it was announced here by Mr. Yosef Nahmias, the Inspector - General of the Israeli police during a press conference.

Replying to foreign correspondents, Mr. Nahmias said these particulars would continue to be kept secret. Eichmann would not be photographed, not even during the coming trial. Mr. Nahmias' only explanation to this unprecedented move was that it was "due to security measures."

The evidence about how and where Eichmann was arrested would only be heard in Court, "in camera", Mr. Nahmias added.

Answering other questions he said that Eichmann would be allowed a lawyer and that the lawyer might see him before the trial in order to prepare his defence. He would also be allowed to bring witnesses, but Mr. Nahmias was unable to state whether immunity would be given to certain witnesses who are sought by the Israeli authorities on charges under the law for punishing Nazi murderers. "It would be too much to ask any government to abolish its existing laws only to defend Nazi murderers", Mr. Nahmias stated. It would depend on the court whether the collection of evidence from such witnesses would be allowed at any Israeli Legation abroad.

**Mr. Nahmias stated that Eichmann would not be permitted, at this stage, to write to his wife, "for security reasons". Describing his present condition, Mr. Nahmias said that Eichmann was confined in a room and an armed guard was with him. He had been supplied with German books to read.**

**Until now Eichmann has not asked to see any foreign Consular representatives. The food supplied to Eichmann was kosher, "as the only food offered by official Israeli authorities is kosher", stated Mr. Nahmias. He then described Eichmann as a "tall, slim, good shaped man with grey hair, well composed, and answering politely to questions".**

**Nahmias denied earlier reports that Eichmann speaks fluent Hebrew or was born in Palestine.**

### STORY OF ARREST - TO BE GIVEN IN COURT

### INVESIGATION BEGINS

A high ranking German-born police officer, Mr. Abraham Zalinger, was appointed to head investigations in the Eichmann case. Mr. Zalinger will also be responsible for collecting all

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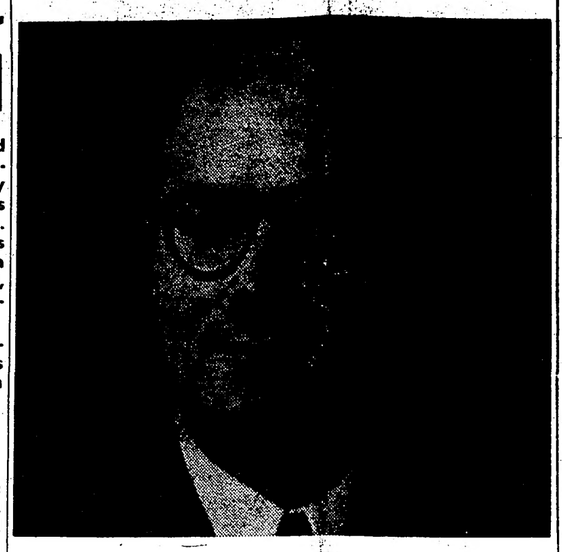

PINHAS N. ELIAV
NEW ISRAELI CONSUL GENERAL

## Contact Between Jerusalem And Moscow Rabbis Established

### ASK ISRAELIS FOR ADVICE

**Tel Aviv (JCNS). For the first time in many months, rabbis from the Soviet Union have applied to the Israeli Chief Rabbinate for assistance and advice on Halachic matters.**

**A rabbi from a small Jewish community in the Caucasus, has written to the "Rabbi of Jerusalem" asking if, according to Halacha, it was permitted to re-use a parchment of a Megillah and re-write a new Megillah over the rubbed-out words. The Russian rabbi explained that he would not have asked the question had there been any possibility of getting a new parchment. As a sign of "loyalty" to Judaism, he attached his photograph to the letter as a "gift" to the rabbis of Jerusalem.**

**Another Russian rabbi asked to be registered for the next Bible-Quiz and asked the Israeli Rabbinate to send him the full programme and the appropriate time-table.**

**Finally, another rabbi from Siberia asked, in a letter written in Hebrew, for a subscription to the religious paper "Hatsofeh" and asked whether it would be possible to send him the Rabbinical Monthly "Kol Torah" and other religious items regularly.**

### GOLDA MEIR CHARGES RUSSIA WITH DISCRIMINATION

**Jerusalem (JCNS.) Introducing the Israeli Foreign Ministry's annual budget to the Knesset, Mrs. Golda Meir said that the "existing and deepening mutual understanding between Great Britain and ourselves is based on the aim of preserving the independence of all Middle Eastern countries. Israel has enjoyed in Britain wide public sympathy which have been expressed in debates in Parliament and in speeches of members belonging to all parties. Trade between the two countries have grown and will exceed £15,000,000 in each direction."**

**In a broad sweeping review of Israel's foreign relations, Mrs. Meir accused Russia of displaying "marked attitude of discrimination towards Israel in contrast with her declared policy of economic and cultural relations with all countries."**

**Mrs. Meir then noted with satisfaction that cultural relations with Poland were developing encouragingly and said that satisfactory replies were received from the 34 countries where Israel had sent notes expressing her feelings regarding the recent wave of antisemitism.**

## Toronto Reception For New Israeli Diplomat

The Honorable Pinhas N. Eliav, newly appointed Consul General of Israel to Canada, will be the guest of honour at a Reception and Luncheon to be held by the Presidents and Officers of the Zionist Organization of Canada, Central Division, and Toronto Zionist Council on Wednesday, June 8th, at 12.15 p. m. in the Regency Room, Regency Towers Hotel, Toronto.

During the Israel War of Liberation, Mr. Eliav served first on the Jerusalem front and later as liasion officer with the Moslem and Druze communities in Northern Israel.

He has been in the Foreign Service since 1949 and in the period of 1951 to 1954 he was Second Secretary of the Israel Embassy in Washington and was personal assistant to Ambassador Abba Eban. Mr. Eliav was a member of the Israel Delegations to the U. N. General Assemblies of 1952 and 1953; to the Conference of the International Civil Aviation Organization held in 1951 and to the International Red Cross Conference which took place in Toronto in 1952.

Prior to his new appointment to Montreal, Mr. Eliav was Deputy Director of the U. S. Division to the Foreign Ministry.

## *Jews Elected In Morocco*

Rabat, (JCNS). Eleven Jews were elected on Sunday on the Boards of Chambers of Commerce and Industry in Casabianca, Larache, Marrakech, Meknes, Mogador, Fez, Tangier, Tetun, and Zagora. They totalled over 7,000 votes out of 90,000 cast for 261 seats contested in 20 different Chambers.

Officially the poll was not political, but in Casablanca and Rabat left-wing candidates, including two Jews, were elected, whilst in the remainder of Chambers the majority elected represented the conservative Istiqlal Partyt.

### BERLIN MAYOR VISITS ISRAEL

Kaiserslautern, (JCNS). The Mayor of West Berlin, Herr Willy Brandt, will head a West German delegation to the International Conference of Communal authorities, which will be held next November in Tel Aviv. This was decided on Friday during a meeting here by Mayors from all Germany.

The last conference of this kind took place in West Berlin last summer, and was attended by an Israeli delegation.

## Jewish State To Speed Up Court Proceedings Against Hitler-Monster

## Will Get Fair Trial

Special to the Canadian Jewish News
BY AVINOAM SAPHIR

JERUSALEM, (CJN). Adolph Eichmann, the Nazi monster who was the head of the "Jewish Division" of the Gestapo, began spilling. **The Canadian Jewish News** learned this week from impeccable sources that Eichmann is "cooperating" with the police by squealing on his best friends. His information has already caused a wave of arrests in all parts of the world.

It is understood that Gestapo collaborators throughout the world now shiver in their skins.

### ARRESTS IN BONN

BONN, Germany, (CJN). The repercussions of Eichmann's arrest are felt in West Germany.

Adolf Heinz Beckerle, Nazi Police Chief of Frankfurt from 1933 to 1941, was rearrested on murder charges Saturday night. He is accused of complicity in the deaths in the Treblinka concentration camp of 11,000 to 12,000 Greek Jews from Macedonia and Thrace.

Beckerle is the second former Nazi to be rearrested by the West Germans in the wake of Eichmann's capture. Two days ago, Hermann Krumey, a former S. S. officer and one of Eichmann's chief assistants, was taken into custody again.

### MORE ARRESTS PREDICTED

Fritz Bauer, Chief Prosecutor of the State of Hess, predicted that more arrests would follow in West Germany in the expectation that Eichmann's trial would provide the necessary evidence to imprison many of his pre-war and wartime associates. Both Beckerle and Krumey had been released after previous arrests for lack of evidence.

Beckerle was Frankfurt's police chief from 1933 to 1941. He was seized by the Russians in Sofia and was held prisoner by them until 1955, when he was returned to Germany.

The Treblinka Camp in Poland, where Jews deported from Thrace and Macedonia were gassed or shot to death, had been organized by Eichmann, Herr Bauer said.

The prosecutor said he would go to Israel to discover what he could about Eichmann and his past activities. "We will be very happy if Eichmann tells a great deal," he declared.

### ARGENTINE REMOVAL REPORTED

BUENOS, AIRES, (CJN). Jewish sources in Buenos Aires confirmed today CJN exclusive of last week that Eichmann was secretly removed from Argentina last Saturday aboard a special plane that had brought Israel's delegation to the Argentine Independence Day ceremonies.

## *Commentary*

By M. J. Nurenberger

**NIETSCHE AND EICHMANN.— THE ROLE OF A MONSTER—AND HIS PENALTY — THE PRIVILEGE OF THE DEAD.**

—More and more you separate yourself from the living; very soon they will erase you from their lists!

—This is the only means of participating in the privilege of the dead.

—What privilege?

—Not to die anymore.

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These are approximately, in an English version, the words of Friedrich Nietsche, the German philosopher of pessimism.

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I quote these words because of a letter from a reader who points out an error in this column, of last week. He writes that Israel has a legal provision for death penalty, namely in the case of Nazi crimes against the Jewish people. Thus, Eichmann will probably be condemned to die, according to the law against war criminals.

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I note from the Israeli press that my misgivings about trying Eichmann under the law of crimes against the Jewish people are shared by many prominent Israelis, among them Dr. P. Rosen, the Minister of Justice. Why should Eichmann, in the words of Nietzsche, benefit from the "privilege of the dead?" Is Eichmann really worthy of dying a soldier's death—by the firing squad or even at the gallows? This monster who amused himself by throwing small children against a wall, in order to "enjoy" the sight of infants' blood, in their last agony, can he expiate his crimes by death only? Of course, it will take time till Eichmann will appear before the Israeli Court of Justice. Many documents will have to be assembled and prepared. The main purpose of this trial is not the condemnation of Eichmann, who is already in hell while alive, but to demonstrate again before the conscience of the world all the facts of Nazi brutality during World War II.

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I remember the time I covered the Nuremberg trials and listened to the testimony of witnesses. I would deliberately seat myself opposite Goering, Ribbentrop and Streicher. I would especially observe the ugliest of all these devils—Streicher. And I must admit that of all the Nazi criminals my "sympathy" was with that character. He was the only one who did not endeavour to blame others for his crimes. He was sitting impassively, chewing American gum, uninterruptedly, during the entire trial. He looked what he was — the ugliest of all beasts in human form.

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According to the press, Eichmann is trying to "cooperate" with the Israeli police by squealing against other Nazis. Will he get away with it? I doubt it. He will not clear himself at this trial. In the absence of any other penalty known known to civilized man, I am sorry to agree with my correspondent that Eichmann will have to benefit from the privilege of the dead.

*Interview With Israel's Security Police*

## The Men Who Captured Eichmann

By Alvin Rosenfeld

Tel Aviv, — Its director's name is on the classified list. The organization, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion has said, "is secret and will remain secret as long as it exists." Its budget for manifold world-wide activities is a closely-guarded matter.

Yet, the curtain which covers the work and administrative set-up of Israel's "security services" was being partially rolled back for the first time by the two men who sat with me in the lobby of a Tel Aviv hotel. These two senior officers of what is generally called "Shin Bet" were ordinary looking men. They were neither tall nor short, neither handsome nor the opposite. They were dressed decently, but inconspicuously. The gray-haired talkative man and his black-haired, quieter associate were soft-spoken and notably calm.

If there was anything unusual about them it was that, in a country sadly noted for its lack of punctuality, they sat down with me at the precise moment set for our appointment.

#### They Were Nameless

Also, they were nameless. And they were clearly professionals in a deadly game. Their conversation was studded with words like "operatives, double agents, apparatus" and involved such problems as the best way to shadow a suspect.

They talked freely about their set-up and about the Eichmann case. Why didn't the secret agents simply kill Adolf Eichmann, alleged murderer of countless Jews, when they found him, rather than go through the trouble of spiriting the former Nazi officer from a foreign country?

"All our activities are subject to law," said the gray-haired man. "We must bring a suspect to court. We do not decide a man's fate."

Their outfit deals with a variety of dangerous tasks ranging from breaking spy rings to espionage. The operatives' basic

#### Variety of Tasks

job is that of guarding the security of a young nation still at war with its neighbors. Though it was built by men who had to teach themselves in a few years' time how to run such an organization, it has won the admiration of secret services in other countries.

In at least one respect, however, it is very prosaic. Its agents are civil servants with the same status as government typists and economists. They get normal government wages and, like any state employee, worry about promotion on the civil service ladder of grades. They receive pensions when they retire.

#### Want Stable Operatives

Further, the heads of the apparatus want no adventurers or "fantastists". They are looking for emotionally stable operatives with "good common sense and a healthy state of mind." Each prospective recruit undergoes intensive psychological and psychiatric testing, which, the black-haired man said ruefully, "cost us a lot of money." There are women operatives, but they are picked for their brains and not for their beauty. The security techniques, I was assured, do not include seduction. "We have no Mata Hari."

On the other hand, women work abroad as well as at home, carry out dangerous missions. They are useful in such tasks as shadowing. "It's less suspicious when a couple—rather than two men—shadow a suspect."

The emphasis throughout is on brain power. Recruits are drawn from among Hebrew University graduates and well trained ex-Army officers. "We must have trained minds. We are engaged in a war of wits." There are women operatives, but they are picked for their brains and not for their beauty. The security techniques, I was assured, do not include seduction. "We have no Mata Hari."

But former member of security organizations in other countries are not welcome. Israel has not recruited one of the hundreds of new immigrant ex-agents who volunteered their services. The reasons: "security," "professional incompatibility" the fear of dual loyalty.

#### Draw on Immigrants

The Israelis, however, have one tremendous advantage in the spy business. They can and do draw on immigrants stemming from everywhere from Yemen and the Americas. These newcomers know the psychological make-up of their countries of origin. And they know the local dialects, accents and colloquialisms. "We would not send Iraqi Jew to Tunis," the gray-haired man said. "He speaks a different Arabic dialect."

Most of the immigrant recruits are those who had proven themselves back home in their Zionist organizations or, in countries where Zionism

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### Official Statement

Jerusalem (JCN.) On the eve of the trial of Adolph Eichmann, Dr. P. Rosen, Israel Minister of Justice, told a press conference.

"We are interested in speeding up the holding of the trial as far as possible. Of course, a preliminary investigation will have to be held."

Asked whether Eichmann had asked for counsel for his defence and whether the State would provide him with one, the Minister said: "Of course, he must be defended by an advocate."

He quoted the Israeli law under which Nazis and their assistants may be sentenced to death and said that the State had sufficient evidence to convict Eichmann.

### TRIAL IN PUBLIC?

**When asked whether the trial would be conducted entirely in public, the Minister replied: "This depends on two factors: in the first place the law; and if the law does not require that the trial be held in camera, then the matter will depend upon the court." He added that the order for Eichmann's detention had been issued in Jaffa on Monday, 23rd May. It was not yet known whether he would be charged with murder or with crimes against the Jewish people.**

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### Re-elected

Harry Zifkin
President, Toronto Zionists
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## 60 Million Dollars Rise In Israel's Foreign Currency

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). Israel's Foreign currency income during the last year totalled 668 million dollars, 33 million dollars more than earlier estimates, and 60 million dollars more than that of the previous year.

Income from visible exports rose by 34 per cent reaching a total of 189 million dollars compared to 141 million dollars in 1958-1959. Invisible exports earned 86 million dollars which amounted to 24.6 per cent of foreign currency, as compared to 69 million dollars last year.

There was also a considerable rise in income from personal and business transfers in cash, and from investments and transfer of capital in the form of goods. This item grew by 40 per cent, accounting for 62 million dollars, as compared to 45 million dollars last year.

Income from restitution payments from West Germany also rose from 67 million dollars to 78 million dollars.

## "Atoms For Peace" Awards To Three Jewish Scientists

Washington, (JCNS). The Ford Motor Company has presented "Atoms For Peace" awards to four American scientists, three of them Jewish. They are Dr. Leo Szilard, the world famous scientist; Dr. Alvin M. Weinberg, director of the Atomic Laboratory at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and Dr. Eugene P. Wigner, of Princeton University. The fourth winner, is Dr. Walter H. Sinn, of the Combustion Engineering Co.

The awards are valued at $150,000, which the four recipients will share. They were given for their research in the development of atomic energy.

Dr. Szilard, who is of Hungarian origin, is suffering from cancer. He got up from his sick bed to receive the award.

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## *Is Renault Misleading Us?*

An attempt by Renault of France to place responsibility on Israel for the automobile company's decision to halt its operations there was branded by the American Jewish Congress as "self-contradictory" and "not in accordance with the facts."

Dr. Phil Baum, director of the AJ Congress Commission on International Affairs, said statements in a widely-circulated letter by Robert Valode, vice-president and general manager of Renault's American affiliate, contradicted the company's own announcement last year as to why it had withdrawn from Israel.

In his letter seeking to justify the French company's submission to Arab pressure, M. Valode wrote that " . . . because Renault preferred to continue trading with Israel whatever the consequences in other markets, it offered the Israeli company a contract for an additional three years, but the offer was not accepted."

Mr. Baum challenged this statement and pointed out that the true basis for Renault's action was revealed in an offiical company statement issued in Paris on October 22, 1959. "This statement made it clear that 'the sole criterion 'in Renault's decision to bow to Arab pressure was 'the number of vehicles sold,'" the AJCongress official said.

Dr. Baum cited a news dispatch from Paris, dated September 4, 1959, disclosing that not only did Renault submit to Arab League pressure but also agreed to clear with Arab representatives the text of its letter severing contractual relations with the Israeli firm assembling its autos in Israel.

"This was done," Dr. Baum declared, "to make certain that the letter satisfied Arab requirements.'

Why should Renault mislead the public?

## *Bible And Spade*

"We really hold the Bible in one hand and the spade in the other." These are the expressive words of Dr. Yigael Yadin, head of the Hebrew University's Department of Archaeology and former Chief of Staff at the Israeli Defence Forces. His father, the late Professor E. L. Sukenik, inaugurated a new era in Biblical archaeology when he acquired the first of the Dead Sea Scrolls in 1948, contemporaneously with the establishment of the State of Israel. Seven of the these Dead Sea Scrolls are now in the Hebrew University and many other marvellous finds have also been made during the past twelve years. In 1954 the "From the Land of the Bible" exhibition which was brought to the British Museum aroused widespread interest in Great Britain. Later, in 1958, the exhibition at the British Museum of Dr. Yadin's discoveries at Hazor still further increased public interest. And this fascinating work of unearthing fresh treasures from the soil of the new-old Land of Israel continues to proceed all the time. Earlier this year, for example, the discovery was made of what was described as the oldest Hebrew letter.

Most recently of all, discoveries of outstanding historical importance have been made in a cave near Ein Geddi overlooking the Dead Sea. These include letters written by Bar Kochba, the heroic leader of the final Jewish struggle against the Romans in 132-135 C. E.

Indeed, archaeological research, which so vividly links the present with the past, has become a kind of national pastime in the restored State of Israel. And throughout the civilised world these wonderful finds win renewed recognition for the perennial inspiration of our people's history and literature.

## *North-American Jewry: Its Pattern*

A remarkable picture of North-American Jewry today was drawn last week by Dr. Joshua A. Fishman, Director of Research at the Albert M. Greenfield Center for Human Relations of the University of Pennsylvania, at the session of the 62nd annual convention of the National Conference of Jewish Communal services, in Atlantic City.

Dr. Fishman said that 69% of America's 4,975,000 Jews — three percent of the American population — live in the Northeastern section of the country, as against 27% of the general population, and that 87% live in urbanized communities of more than a quarter million population, as against 37% of the general population, and that there are proportionately fewer Jews under 35 years of age than among either Protestants or Catholics.

The American Jewish image of today, he said, "is a picture of a high-urban concentration, of a relatively low and quite stable inter-marriage rate, and of disturbingly low fertility even in the period of the baby boom and regardless of occupational differences."

He reported that Jewish fertility was only 79% of the national average and that inter-marriage among Jews is only 7.2% whereas it is 21.6% among Catholics and 8.6% among Protestants.

Twenty-two per cent of the heads of Jewish households, as reported in a 1959 survey, are college graduates, and 61% high school graduates. The median income was $5954. 78% of the Jews were white collar workers and 18% were professionals

Noting the changes, as developed by a third generation of American Jews, Dr Fishman commented: "The Jewish white-collar worker, business man and professional of today, together with his organizationally active wife and his college-going or college-aspiring children — whether or not they reside in a suburban gilded ghetto — have certainly come a long way from where their immigrant forebears were barely a half century ago. Occupationally, educationally, residentially, culturally — they have been jet-propelled to the very forefront of a dynamic society."

Dr. Fishman noted that though there has been a breakaway from formal religious observance in third generation Jews, there has developed a greater Jewish identification.

"The young generation," he pointed out, "has recently been found to be quite acceptive of Jewish practices, at least at an attitudinal level if not at an overt behavioral one. Even the trek to suburbia — with all of the dislocation from traditional Jewish surroundings that it entails — has brought with it a sharp rise in Jewish organizational affiliations.

"Perhaps this is the new and coming pattern for American Jewry, 'a third generation pattern' with its fewer insecurities, reduced ambivalences, attentuated rebelliousness, and increased group-identification needs. It certainly seems to be true that many young people are growing up today in Jewish surroundings that are marked by a relatively easy-going, unselfconscious bi-culturism. It also seems to be true that most Jewish young folks not only marry within the fold — but like their parents — they find the lion's share of their friends and associates among Jews."

"All this," Dr. Fishman concluded, "provides the mass emotional roots for a slow process of enrichment of North-American Jewish life during the generations ahead. There are good chances of winding up with a pattern that will be basically positive toward meaningful Jewish existence."

# The Jewish World Observes His 200th Yahrzeit This Shavuot

**Founder Of Hassidic Movement**

## Israel Baal Shem Tov

## 1700 - 1760

# A POLISH DIARY — By Meyer W. Gasner

### A Summary Of A Voyage Into The Dark Past

Approximately two months ago, I stood at the north corner of the Stradom Street in Cracow. It was towards the end of my brief visit to Poland. Friends pointed out the hill on the left, on which stands the famous Wawel royal castle. There lived Polish kings. There most of them found their final resting place.

Somehow I could not surrender to curiosity. I refused to visit that renowned castle, allegedly one of the most beautiful sites in Central Europe. Not for one moment could I forget the purpose of my mission to Poland. It had nothing to do with tourism. I came to see what was left of my brethren.

There stood the building of the centre of the Zionist Organization in Western Galicia, one of the strongest Zionist groups in the world. In general, Stradom was the beehive of Jewish activity. Nothing of that, however, is now left.

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Thinking of all this, I discerned the discrepancy between the calamity which befell the Polish people in general and the tragedy of Polish Jewry. Before the war, Poland had a population of about thirty million, ten percent of which were Jews. Today, after the tragedy of World War II, and despite the tremendous loss of the Polish people, Poland again is a nation of close to thirty million. **Thus,** there is a continuity between this castle which symbolizes the glory of the past with the present endeavour to restore Poland as a Central-European power.

But is there Jewish continuity? Even most of the monuments to the past are gone. The lives of millions of Polish Jews were brutally cut off by the bloodthirsty German executioneers. Poland, for centuries our Jewish spiritual home, is gone - extinguished forever — together with the living Jews who created our concept, our image and our traditions of Jewishness.

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Frankly, monuments do not interest me to much. Of course they should be preserved. The Joint Distribution Committee and the Polish Government are co-operating in this project of restoring and preserving monuments. They should be commended. After all, the dead cannot be revived. All anyone can do is preserve what remains. To me, however, the monuments of the past are meaningless unless they are more than a memento — unless they symbolize JEWISH continuity on POLISH soil. But from the Carpathian mountains in the South to the Baltic in the North, Jewish life has virtually ceased.

Hence the problem which faces us is, WHITHER JEWRY?

How do we redeem this Jewish spiritual centre of the Diaspora? Of course, by replacing it, — by picking up the threads, by trying to revive the spirit by giving a new birth to Jewish cultural glory.

Can this be achieved?

Although the catastrophe of World War II was the greatest in our history, the spirit of our tradition forbids us to console ourselves with mere observance of Yahrzeit. It demands concentration for the revival of the soul of Jewish Poland. Our tradition does not recognize monuments other than those of the spirit. Stones are of minor significance; museums are irrelevant to Judaism. One Yeshiva bochur in Toronto or in New York is far more important from the point of view of Jewish history than hundreds of monuments. "Thou shalt not make graven images!" May I translate it: Thou shalt not make graven images of the past. Infuse into the past—blood and flesh,—through Torah Culture. This is Judaism.

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It is now Erev Shavuot, the festival of Torah. I try to summarize my impressions of Poland. I find it difficult; almost impossible. My voyage into the dark, but famed and glorious past of Jewish Poland will always remain with me.

Ours is a philosophy of **ACTION today,** not of too much brooding over what happened yesterday. How can we heal some of the spiritual wounds of the Polish-Jewish tragedy? Unfortunately, these physical wounds can never be healed.

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I believe that, at last, North American Jewry has instinctively and spontaneously awakened to the incumbent task. Finally, we are experiencing an awareness that WE are truly heirs of Polish Jewry. We are the generation upon whom destiny has placed the task of carrying the Torah of Cracow, Lublin and Vilna.

We are now at the turn of a new road. We must remember that there can be only one memorial to Jewish Poland — a living, dedicated Judaism in North America. Indeed, **WE** are the sole hope for the future of a great Torah community in the lands of dispersion. We — here — in our days.

# THE DOCTRINE OF BESHT

**BY J. G. WEISS**

Today, when Chassidism enjoys full social respectability, it is difficult for the historian to recapture the completely different setting in which this picturesque eruption of religious bohemianism started in the first part of the eighteenth century, under the leadership of "Rabbi" Israel Baal Shem.

"Rabbi" Israel was in fact not a rabbi at all. He certainly did not possess a rabbinical diploma (semicha). In spite of the legend which piously depicts Israel Baal Shem carefully hiding his great Talmudic knowledge from the world, there can be little doubt about the relative illiteracy of this in other respects compelling figure. One would not be incorrect in describing him as what was popularly called an "Eyn Yacob Yid" — someone whose study of the Talmud is based not on the Talmud itself but only on the Eyn Yacob, a short anthology of the easy, mainly legendary passages, rather than the legal ones.

**The legendary life-story of the founder of the Chassidic movement, as described in the book "Shivhey ha-Besht", is not only a portrayal of the Baal Shem himself but set the biographical pattern of the Tzaddik, which reappeared later in that literature that grew up around many of the leaders of the movement. This pattern differs strikingly from the typical biography of his rabbinical contemporaries, whose lives (as depicted in numerous biographies) regularly develop in an uninterrupted line of ascending knowledge and fame.**

Whereas in the biography of the typical rabbi there is a steady development and a gradual fulfilment of the confident expectations of his family, it is fundamental to the life of the great Tzaddikim that they have a spiritual turning-point. Their biographies show them as, at first, leading a kind of double life until the moment of their "self-revelation" (the Chassidic term for which is Hitgallut). This does not necessarily happen in a single day of acute crisis, but the Tzaddik's emergence as a leader is a comparatively short process involving both psychological and social issues.

Prior to this caesura in his life ,the Baal Shem is only vaguely conscious of his spiritual powers. Following some inner compulsion he deliberately dons the mask of the vulgar in order to conceal the spiritual life within him. This is his way of avoiding the ministry, wth all its social implications of publicity and recognition. The virtue of hester (self-concealment) is thus not simply the practice of humility, but signifies his inner preparation for a mystical - spiritual debut. In this the spiritual leader-to-be reveals a hidden arrogance: the psychological dialectics of humility and pride are at work. But this is only half of the story: the rather bleak social background of this intoxicating religious genius, whose ideas we shall have to evaluate anew in the light of recent research.

Early Chassidism was far from the idyllic picture that some modern writers would present. Dark and violent social and psychological forces were at work in the hour of its birth. Recent research would put less emphasis on the pantheistic implications of the Baal Shem's teaching, though these are undoubtedly part and parcel of his message. Along with the purely mystical side of early Chassidic doctrines, their radiant serenity and uncomplicated contemplation, modern research will also be able to rediscover the other side of the coin, the paradoxical features of the Baal Shem's technique in dealing with teaching; and, above all, his "wayward thoughts" (machshavot zarot) by reintegrating them into the stream of articulate contemplation. The great discovery of the Baal Shem was that all human thoughts are holy, even thoughts concerning sin— an unexpected psychological turn, given by him to an earlier pantheistic doctrine.

Another favourite subject of his, not unconnected with his technique regarding the "wayward thoughts", was his teaching on the contemplative descent of the Tzaddik into the realms of sin and impurity, a highly disturbing topic for those whose approach to Chassidism sets out to be idyllic.

**This imaginary, contemplative journey of the Tzaddik into his private hell, into the realm of the sinful imagination uninhabitable for the respectable, is the central theme of early Chassidism. The infernal atmosphere of this descent —a kind of negative sacrament — is the challenge of Chassidism to modern man. The deformed Tzaddik, through whose deformation ordinary man can, according to the social doctrine of Chassidism, attain to elevattion and restoration, establishes a bridge of analogy between himself and his simple followers. The Tzaddik descends in his unholy fantasies in order to establish a kinship with man, who has sunk to that level not in mere imagination but in the naked reality of actual sin.**

Professor G. Scholem, of the Hebrew University, has attempted an historical understanding of the beginnings of the Chassidic movement, which he points out, in its early stages, was attacked again and again by the slanderous assertion that many of the earliest Chassidic leaders had sprung from the ranks of the late generations of Sabbateans, the heretical followers of Sabbatai Zevi, the false Messiah of the seventh century. The anti-Chassidic polemicists of the first generations saw in the early Chassidic teaching a new outbreak of the old clandestine movement. Modern historians following Scholem have found, to their astonishment, that this assertion is not widly off the mark. It was not the rabbis who stood at the cradle of the new movement, but rather heretics or ex-heretics, people who had, by their very nature, antagonised the rabbis. Hence the surprising analogies found so often between Sabbatian heresy and Chassidic thought.

It must, however, be emphasised that Chassidism transmuted the theologically-radical aspects of Sabbatianism by giving them a thorough re-Judaisation. This was a harking back to more Orthodox beliefs (and certainly to more Orthodox practices) after what may be justifiably called an heretical blood-transfusion. No wonder, then, that it was not until several generations after Israel Baalshem that a Chassidic compromise gained the hallmark of respectability in Eastern European Jewry.

Even the most impartial historian cannot help wondering whether an heretical blood transfusion, such as occurred in Chassidism, did not put new life into the dying body of eighteenth - century Judaism. The answer, however, is beyond his competence and must be left to the theologian.

## MOSES

**By Amir Gilboa**

I approached Moses and said to him:
Arrange the camps thus and so.
He looked at me and did
Arrange them as I bid.
And who did not see my honor then!
Sarah was there from childhood
In whose name I drafted plans for building a city.
There was the long-legged one from the girls-settlement.
There was Melvina from Rabat on Malta.
Dinah from the Italo-Yugoslav border,
And Riyah from the northern lowland.
And very proud I turned to Moses
To teach him the correct way,
But suddenly it became clear to me
That she who in my name
Was carved and fixed—
Was not there.
Moses, Moses lead on the people.
See, I am so weary and still want to sleep,
I am yet a lad.

— Translated by Ruth Finer Mintz

## *Sermon For Shavuot*

# Torah In The Desert

The Priestly Benediction was born in the wilderness. How strange an environment! The desert is a hungry terrain; it breeds robber races who steal other men's lands. The desert is delusive; its deceptive mirage lures men to their doom. A curse rests on the wasteland; relentlessly its erosion creeps onto the fertile soil to swallow it up in its own destructive aridity. It is the eternal symbol of untutored barbarism overrunning the cultivated, of the anarchy that overwhelms civilization unfructified by spiritual idealism.

Only the genius of Israel could heal the brutal wilderness and bring it blessing. The Torah was an oasis in the world of ancient paganism. Today Judaism still remains alternative to the mirage of irreligious materialism, powered by amoral science, triggered by international fear.

Many jewels form the Crown of the Torah, but none more beautiful than the fifteen radiant words that comprise Berkat Kohanim. In three waves the Benison falls upon the ear, vibrant with sacred verities, luminous with eternal promise, bespeaking Messianic peace.

"The Lord bless thee and keep thee." Your febrile activism leaves your heart despondent and unblessed. Your mass-production industrialism has brought you gadgets not happiness. Your knowledge has become a universal death-trap. God alone can bless you and keep you.

"The Lord make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee". Here is a beacon to light the way for the storm-tossed barque of your life. It is the path of spiritual truth, of Divine grace. Alone man is anomaly in a universe that knows him not; a stranger in a world that is blind to his existence, deaf to his communion, mute to his supplication. He is the mere sport of Mother Nature; her unwanted child. Only in the light of God can man truly live, does his life assume enduring significance. Only in His grace does man become an accredited citizen of the universe, lord of creation, but little less than the angels.

"And give thee peace". The restless spirit of man beats its wings against ceaseless frustration. Like a butterfly he is drawn towards the bright light of hazard, only to be burnt by the fire of temptation, destroyed by his own treacherous ambition. In God alone he finds peace. Tenderley, like a mother, the Shechina heals his wounds, comforts his sorrow, rehabilities him. Only in God does he become reconciled to his suffering, and to the sleep that rounds off his earthly vicissitudes. Only in God can he see every failure as a step on the road to victory, and realize that the portals of death lead to the halls of eternity.

Blessing in the desert! The revelation of its possibility is itself the Loving God's greatest blessing to the child that bears His image.

*The World Of Music*

# A SCHOENBERG PORTRAIT

BY ROBERT BREUER

Out of over 3,000 letters (typewritten carbon copies of which were found in Schoenberg's litterary bequest, or originals that were collected by the editor), Erwin Stein, the late Austrian-born English musicologist, and for decades one of Schoenberg's most faithful disciples and personal friends, culled 247 significent documents which form the amazingly frank and outspoken contents of a noteworthy volume, "Arnold Schoenberg-Briefe." The correspondence, covering the years 1910 to 1951, reveals a personality that was as bold and defiant in spirit as it was, in the uttermost depths of its soul, soft and tender. Schoenberg's passionate fight for what he felt and what he sought was documented by the credo of his life: "This is my nobility: I do believe in what I do and I do only (those things) I believe in"!

Strong antisemitic sentiment, underlying the sudden scandals which cropped up whenever a new Schoenberg opus had its premiere in Vienna, could not break his spirit; on the contrary, it strengthened his resolve to remain true to his mission both as a composer and as a teacher. One marvels at the concepts and ideas of a man who (apart from having studied counterpoint with Alexander Zemlinsky) was a purely self-taught composer and pedagogue.

**The volume of letters has been grouped to illustrate five individual phases, each prefaced by a short biographical sketch and a list of compositions and theoretical papers compiled during the particular period. Briefly summarised the groups cover (1) Vienna-Berlin-Vienna, 1910-18; (2) Vienna-Modling near V., 1919-25; (3) Berlin-Barcelona, 1926-33; (4) France-United States, 1933-44; (5) Los Angeles, 1945-51. Works composed during these years are: the operas "Von Heute auf Morgen" and Moses und Aron" (Acts I and II; "Kol Nidre"; "A Survivor from Warsaw"; and a number of quartets, chamber music pieces, songs, concertos, etc. The letters are addressed to composers, conductors, stage managers, singers, pupils, friends; to newspapers, organizations, committees. The following names, chosen at random, reveal the wide range of the correspondence: Alvan Berg, Ferruccio Busoni, Pablo Casals, Wilhelm Furtwangler, Wassily Kandinsky, Otto Klemperer Rene Leibowitz, Max Liebermann, Alma Mahler - Werfel, Thomas Mann, and Anton Webern.**

Schoenberg, intransigent, never made any concessions. Once hurt by an attack, he could never forgive the offender. Thus, in 1914, he energetically refused to write a few words on Richard Strauss's 50th birthday because he had been informed of some remarks Strauss had made about him in a letter to Alma Mahler. ("Only a psychiatrist could help poor Schoenberg. He would do better shovelling snow than writing on music paper.") Schoenberg said he did not want to harm Strauss "morally". "Artistically he does not interest me any longer. What he once taught me I have, thank God, misunderstood." (Strauss had held Schoenberg in high esteem before the latter had embarked upon his method of serial principles; he was instrumental in Schoenberg's obtaining a teacher's position in Berlin, and again, after Mahler's death, Strauss had helped him in many ways.) Schoenberg, in later years, changed his attitude, for he repeatedly stressed the fact that Strauss had to "struggle" as much as Mahler and Bruckner and others.

A letter Schoenberg addressed to his painter-friend Kandinsky (in 1923), when Kandinsky sought to win him over to the Bauhaus circle, reveals his farsightedness with regard to the ominous political events in Germany. Everything —and far more— that was anticipated by Schoenberg on account of the light-tinselled antisemitism displayed by certain Bauhaus-members — the danger to personal and artistic freedom, the sinister influence of Hitler, the persecution of Jews and anti-totalitarians - happened in due time. "If not toward violence— where should antisemitism lead? Is it really so difficult to visualise the outcome? Perhaps it will be sufficient to take all personal rights away from Jews; in this case, Einstein, Mahler, and myself will simply cease to exist. But one thing seems to be certain: it will be impossible to vanquish the tougher elements by whose resistance the Jewish people have fought and withstood all enemies for twenty centuries. This segment of the Jewish people it will be quite impossible to 'eradicate' and I can tell you why: they are so organised as to fulfil their God-given mission — to survive in exile, unbroken and undaunted, until the hour of redemption comes."

**Schoenberg and Kandinsky later resumed their friendship; the composer's wish that "any reunion between us should not take place before we see eye to eye again" seems to have been fulfilled. Yet, during the same crucial period, and despite his bitter hatred for the political events in Germany, Schoenberg often spoke with zest for German art and music. His were the same "dual feelings" the writer Jacob Wassermann manifested in his "My Way as German and Jew."**

From his letters Schoenberg emerges a man consistently and defiantly swimming upstream. He stressed his attachment to Judaism time and again, especially after the advent of Nazism. He fought many a winning battle for Mahler's work in the United States. His years in exile were beset with personal and world problems; sickness and poverty marred his last years.

In his declining years he became reconciled to his fate. He wanted to visit Vienna, the city of his birth that had bestowed upon him great honours but never regained enough physical strength to undertake the trip. Many compositions and theoretical papers remained uncompleted. Even his last communications are those of a man of genius and to all those who, according to his rigorous demands, served "true art."

# ONLY IN AMERICA

BY HARRY GOLDEN

### THE MODERN UNCLE TOM

The Negroes will call another of their number "Uncle Tom" if he is willing to accept his position as inferior. Some of the Uncle Toms want this role of inferiority because it maintains their own status. Over the years the "Uncle Tom" was also called a "bandana head." The bandana was the symbol of servitude in the days of slavery.

While they are slowly vanishing as education and middle class status increases, the Uncle Toms of today do not by any means wear a bandana. More usually an Uncle Tom is a man of considerable means and status. Uncle Tom has achieved this by acting as liaison between whites and Negroes. As long as segregation endures, he will maintain this position; as soon as it ends, he will lose it. The Negro college students who started the lunch counter protests do not use the term "Uncle Tom" or "bandana head." Instead, they call this fellow, "Doctor Thomas, Pee, Aitch, Dee."

When the first sit-in demonstrations were staged in the South, a Negro newspaper editor called on his fellow Negro citizens to cease demonstrating. Promptly the students of one of the Negro universities hanged this fellow in effigy. Significantly the first act of this kind in all the six years of the controversy. Around the neck of the dummy was a sign and crudely painted on it were the words: "Dr. Thomas, Ph. D."

The Uncle Toms are the first to rush to the white leadership in the community, in fact the first to become aroused, and say, "We must do something about keeping these Negroes in line."

In Greensboro, where the sit-downs started, the demonstrators went to one dime store and the manager called out his two kitchen helpers, both Negroes, to face the college students.

"Go home, now" the countermen yelled. "Go home, you're just causing trouble." The college students smiled. Those days are gone, gone forever. It is an entirely different world.

Conversely, the whites often go to the local Uncle Tom and say, "We've got to work together to help get this mess straightened out."

The Uncle Toms in the South are now worried. For years they have been the ambassadors to white society. They were the only Negroes invited to the white political meetings and even to the white homes, a status they treasured very much. And some of them held considerable political power as the unofficial spokesman for all the Negroes.

This is all changed now. In North Carolina, for instance, the several Negro leaders who could control a dozen Negro voting precincts now won't guarantee anything. They tell the politician: "It won't do any good for me to take your money now. I can't deliver. Say something against segration and I can deliver," which of course is out of the question for the white candidate.

Not only has the Uncle Tom been the ambassador, he has himself, "stayed in line" and he is what the segregationist calls, "a good nigger."

He (and his wife) often work for white folks and their employers can be heard saying, "My Helen, she and her husband, will tell you the Negroes don't want integration . . . " In fact this has been one of the obstacles in the path of an honorable solution of the entire problem of race relations. The communication between the races has been only between the whites and the Uncle Toms, who talk for no one today but themselves.

### THE CAPITALIST ON THE LOWER EAST SIDE

"Capitalist" was a word we used constantly on the Lower East Side. Money was scarce. Anyone ambitious enough to think he could make some money was automatically called a capitalist. It was a word we used with love, and some measure of devotion, too. But we did not always use it exactly.

A student who spent six years at night getting a high school education while he spent his days working in a print shop was a "capitalist" as well as a "genius". The peddler who left his pushcart in the alley one hot summer day to take his family off to Coney Island was likewise a "capitalist."

It is true that the word was used with scorn and loathing in the Socialist enclaves and on the soapboxes. But in the home and on the street, we all wanted to be capitalists.

And, indeed, some of us did become capitalists. My mother had a relative whom we always called "Cousin Hymie, the capitalist." Do not get the wrong idea about this cousin. He did not drive about in a chauffered limousine nor did he even own a pair of spats. He did not distribute largess for the simple reason that he had none. No one expected that he would send his sons and daughters to college, let alone his second cousins. A capitalist was not expected necessarily to have money. It was enough just to be a capitalist. The one demand society made on this capitalist was that the fund raiser called on Hymie once a year to contribute to charity. The East Side called Cousin Hymie a "regular Carnegie" in honor of Andrew Carnegie who was at that time endowing all the colleges with libraries. Cousin Hymie was endowing the local charity with $3.

Counsin Hymie supplied coal. He started off with $5 he had saved over the years and for $3 rented a cellar. With the remaining $2, he bought a ton and half of coal and five galvanized tin pails. He hired three men who carted the coal from the cellar in the pails to the tenants throughout the neighborhood. They charged 10c a bucket and got 1c for the delivery.

All of the tenements were equipped with kitchen stoves which burned coal. Cousin Hymie stretched his margin from one week to the next, from one month to the next, and from one year to the next.

When the kerosene stove made its appearance, Hymie expanded and began delivering kerosene. The fund raiser began calling him a "regular Rockerfeller". While kerosene did not do as much for Hymie as it did for John D. Rockefeller, it did allow him to amass enough money to endow the local shule with a new lectern. The gift allowed Hymie to sit on the dais and the lectern was always called "a gift from Cousin Hymie, the capitalist."

We all envied Cousin Hymie who was in business for himself. His working conditions were bad and the conditions of his employees even worse. But we didn't blame our woes on the capitalist. Like Samuel Butler, we reasoned that capitalist does only what everybody else wants to.

Eventually Cousin Hymie made enough to move up to Riverside Drive way back there in 1914. The Drive was (and still is) one of the most beautiful avenues in the world and one of cousin Hymie's neighbors was a career man in the State Department whose ancestors had come over on the Mayflower. **Only in America!**

### ONCE YOU COULDN'T WIN IF YOU WERE RICH

With the Harrimans, Rockefellers, Kennedys, and Symingtons in great favor with the electorate, it is interesting to note that there was a time when your political prospects were very poor if you happened to be rich.

A most interesting example was the primary for United States Senate in my state of North Carolina in 1932. Bob Reynolds was trying to win the Senate seat from Cam Morrison. Bob Reynolds was an upstart, for Cam Morrison had been a North Carolina politico since 1898 and had made an excellent record as Governor in building the primary roads of the state. And he was brilliant in reflecting the attitude of the people, particularly in religion. His most interesting announcement while he was Governor was when he forbid the use of any biology textbook in the schools which reproduced the picture of an ape and a man on the same page.

In 1932 Morrison thought he was a shoo-in. But he had an Achilles heel; he had married a very rich widow. There is an apocryphal story about Cam Morrison and the widowed Mrs. Vanderbilt which historian Burke Davis reports (much of this material is drawn from one of Burke's political biographies which appeared in **Harper's** many years ago.) Cam and Mrs. Vanderbilt were proceeding famously until one day they went for a ride in the country. Cam was a tobacco chewer and as they drove along he thought Mrs. Vanderbilt's car window was open, it was so clean. So he let go with a huge chaw to the distress of the window, the chauffeur, and Mrs. Vanderbilt. Thereafter Cam and Mrs. Vanderbilt went their separate ways. Cam met and shortly thereafter married Mrs. George Watts of Durham, a widow who was probably richer than even Mrs. Vanderbilt.

Bob Reynolds campaigned against him by touring every North Carolina village and crossroads to tell the Tar Heels Cam was too well set now to sufficiently represent them. Reynolds campaigned in an old unkempt, battered Model-T Ford, the left door of which wouldn't open. He had to make his exit through the open top. He campaigned with a piece of carpet which he used to unroll when a crowd had gathered to show them how Cam sashayed from his linousine into the fancy Mayflower Hotel in Washington. "Ole Cam can't get his tootsie's dirty," was the gist of Reynolds' political message.

He also told the prospective voters about Cam's liking for caviar, which he pronounced caveeah. "Know what Ole Cam eats for breakfast?" he'd ask. "Caveeah. Know what caveeah is? Fish aigs. Caveeah. for breakfast at a dollar-fifty a bit. You all want a Senator who can't eat fresh North Carolina aigs at twenty cents a dozen?"

Then he would wave two $1 bills and tell the crowd that that money was all he, Ole Bob, had and would someone lend him fifty cents to buy gasoline to get him and the Ford to the next town. Invariably someone did lend him the money, in return for which he got a Bob Reynold's check in the amount of one dollar. Many of these checks are still the only decoration in the tar paper shacks that line North Carolina's back roads.

Bob Reynolds won and went off to the Senate where he and Huey Long recognized each other and fell into each other's arms, tears rolling down their cheeks. Bob **Reynolds had run the roller skating rink** in Baton Rouge where Huey had won many prizes for figure skating when he was selling snake oil in the bayous.

Reynolds became an "American Firster", the enemy of all "aliens," and an intimate of Gerald L. K. Smith. He won re-election in 1938 but when he wanted to run again during the war, he knew he didn't stand a chance. So he married the daughter of the famous Evalyn Walsh McLean who brought him a dowry almost equal to that Mrs. Watts had brought Cam Morrison. When Cam Morrison learned about the wedding, he laconically told a reporter, "Poor ole Bob. From now on, even Ah can lick him."

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*A Humorous Life Story* — *How He Conquered Hollywood*

# GROUCHO AND ME

BY GROUCHO MARX

## A LIMB OF MY FAMILY TREE

(This is the first of a series of twelve articles based on the best selling book, "Groucho and Me," by Groucho Marx, published by Bernard Geis Associates.)

Give or take a few years, I was born around the turn of the century. I won't say which century. Everyone is allowed one guess.

We had a crowded household in our Yorkville Shangri-la on New York's Upper East Side. In addition to the five brothers — Chico, Harpo, Groucho, Gummo and Zeppo, in the order of our age— there were my mother and father (in fact, they got there before we did), my mother's father and mother, an adopted sister and a steady stream of poor relations that flowed through our house night and day.

### Misfit Sam

The notion that Pop was a tailor was an opinion that was held only by him. To his customers he was known as "Misfit Sam." He was the only tailor I ever heard of who refused to use a tape measure. A tape measure might be all right for an undertaker, he maintained, but not for a tailor who had the unerring eye or an eagle. He insisted that a tape measure was pure swank and utter nonsense, adding that if a tailor had to measure a man he couldn't be much of a tailor in the first place. Pop boasted that he could size up a man just by looking at him and turn out a perfect fit. The results of his appraisals were about as accurate as Chamberlain's predictions about Hitler.

How my mother managed is a mystery beyond explaining. Alexander Hamilton my have been the greatest Secretary of the Treasury, but I would have liked to see him handle my mother's job as skilfully as she did.

I'm sure it's no great secret, nor is it terribly important, but for posterity and the ages my real name is Julius Henry Marx. The original reason I was tagged with this name was pretty logical, but like most things that happened in our family, it didn't turn out the way it was planned.

I was named Julius for a practical reason. Late in the nineteenth century there was an Uncle Julius in our family. He was five-feet-one in his socks, holes and all. He had a brown spade beard, thick glasses and a head topped off with a bald spot about the size of a buckwheat cake. My mother somehow got the notion that Uncle Julius was wealthy, and she told my father that it would be a brilliant piece of strategy were they to make him my god-father.

### Uncle Julius Arrives

At the moment I was being born Uncle Julius was in the back room of a cigar store on Third Ave., dealing them off the bottom. When word reached him that he had been made my godfather, he dropped everything, including two aces he had up his sleeve, and quickly rushed over to our flat.

In a speech so moist with emotion that he was blinded by his own eyeglasses, he said that he was overwhelmed by this sentimental gesture on our part and hinted that my future —a rosy one—was irrevocably linked with his. At the conclusion of his speech, still unable to see through his misty lenses, he kissed my father, handed my mother a cigar and ran back to the pinochle game.

Two weeks later he moved in, paper suitcase and all. As time went by, my mother discovered that Uncle Julius not only seemed to be without funds but what was even worse, that he owed my father thirty-four dollars.

He remained with us until I got married. By this time he had the best room in the house and owed my father eighty-four dollars. But Uncle Julius finally kicked off and made me his sole heir. His estate, when probated, consisted of a nine ball that he had stolen from a poolroom, a box of liver pills and a celluloid dickey.

### Paying a Debt

My middle name is Henry because of a sentimental attachment my mother formed toward a five-dollar bill, loaned to her by my Unrle Henry. After a while Uncle Henry realized that getting blood out of a turnip was going to be child's play compared to the effort that would be required to get back his fiver. Many years passed. One day, when my birth seemed inevitable, he said, "Minnie, if you have another boy, name him after me and I'll call off the five-dollar debt. I realize I'll never get it, anyway.

I have now told you about my two uncles who were all nice fellows, but miserable failures in their respective careers. I might as well confess all and tell you that I also had an uncle who was a great success. He was my mother's brother. His name was Shean ,and with a partner named Gallagher, he sang a song that, today, is as much a part of America as baseball. If you don't remember the famous catch-line, "Absolutely, Mr. Gallagher; positively, Mr. Shean. Send me ten dollars in stamps. I won't send you anything in return. Just send me ten dollars in stamps.

Originally, I wanted to be a doctor. But my Uncle Al's success convinced my mother that the theater was a soft and lucrative racket, and that I had better forget about the world of medicine and the Hippocratic oath, for the simple reason that she had never heard of Hippocrates.

### Call of the Stage

My Uncle Al was a handsome dog, and when he came to visit us things started moving. Today, actors don't look any different from the rest of mankind, but in those days they were a group apart. For example, when my uncle came to visit us he had long hair down his neck, pre-Presley sideburns, a frock coat, a gold-headed cane and a silk hat.

Here was glamour! Why should anyone want to be a doctor, listening to the complaints of invalids aid hypochondriacs, when by embracing the theater he could have a silk hat, a gold-headed cane and a frock coat?

So, goodbye Hippocrates, with your little black bags. stethoscope and Latin prescriptions. The show business virus was coursing through my veins, bringing visions of silk hats, frock coats and nickels. What more could any lad want?

(In the second article of this series, appearing next week, Groucho paints a portrait of the artist as a young man.)

THE MARX FAMILY: YEARS AGO

# TORONTO ORBIT

BY

BERNICE DYMENT

The Talk of Our Town: Port Carling Discriminates Against Sinclair . . . The Warsaw Ghetto on Broadway . . . Judaism takes to the woods . . . Florida Data . . .

## DELAYED REPORT

An eight-year-old incident of Anti-Gentilism has recently come to light in an American Jewish publication, "The Jewish Post and Opinion." Published in Indiannapolis, and edited by Gabriel Cohen, The Jewish Post is a weekly, with a national circulation. The incident however, is 100% Canadian, and concerns Toronto Star columnist, Gordon Sinclair.

It seems that Mr. Sinclair was cruising in his motor boat in the vicinity of Port Carling, eight summers ago, when he became very thirsty. He anchored his boat at the first hotel dock he came to, and went in to the beverage room for some refreshment.

After waiting for some time to be served, he finally attracted the attention of a waiter. Imagine his consternation when the waiter announced, "Sorry, we don't serve non-Jews here."

Since said hotel has changed management in the intervening years, it has not been possible to establish whether this actually was the policy of the then proprietor, or whether he was being sabotaged by his beverage-room waiter. Certainly it is a rare incident of reverse discrimination, in my files, at least. It seems odd that a publication as far away as Indiannapolis would dredge it up after eight years.

A macabre foot-note may be appended to the story. — The anti-Gentile waiter was drowned two days after the incident.

## TWO WARSAW GHETTO PLAYS

**Broadway and off-Broadway theatre-goers will be offered two dramatizations of the heroic days of the Warsaw Ghetto next season. Billy Rose is co-producer of the Broadway version of John Hersey's "The Wall", scheduled to open at the Billy Rose Theatre on October 11th.**

**The off-Broadway presentation called "Behind the Wall" was written by Alfred Marder. No cast announcements have yet been made. There's no doubt that every emotional ingredient for epic drama is present in the Warsaw Ghetto story. Recently in Toronto, we were given further evidence of this, when Zivia Lubetkin, "Mother of the Ghetto" addressed a large rally at the King Edward Hotel.**

**In a deeply moving way, Miss Lubetkin appealed to her listeners—and the world—never to forget what happened in Europe, so that it will never repeat itself. Perhaps through the medium of the theatre, this message will reach an even wider audience, and bear good fruit.**

## NORTHERN RETREATS

Two Toronto Jewish Congregations have plans underway for summer Institutes in Muskoka. The Beth Tzedec Men's Club invites the men of the congregation to the 5th Annual Laymen's Institute, "Kallah Heh" to be held at Muskoka Lodge, June 24th to 26th.

Shaarei Shomayim Congregation will hold "Shabbaton" at the Gateway Hotel at the same time. Wives may join in this project too.

Sounds like an ideal way to combine relaxation with serious study, and informal discussion on Jewish subjects. Prominent guest lecturers, will join with the Rabbis of the Congregations to lead the discussions.

All this — and fishing too! Strictly Kosher cuisine provided.

## DOWN SOUTH

**Nothing provincial about us! From Lake Muskoka I take you now to the playground of the South—Miami Beach. Just two brief items.**

**One concerns that famous Miami institution—Belle Barth. This little lady (?) is as solid an attraction as the flossiest new hotel, or the Seaquarium—for certain types, that is. If you've ever blushed at her stories, you'll know what I mean.**

**Anyway, she has a new album ready for turntables all over the country, it was all set, and then the record company got cold feet. "Too hot for the airwaves", they decided. An ace writer was called in to do a clean-up job on the material. I'll bet there'll be a fancy price paid for the unexpurgated version, though!**

**And, just to keep you informed on ALL the latest. The Anti-Defamation. League reports that a Virginia hotel is still issuing instructions to travel agents NOT to accept reservations from Jews. It's the Martha Washington Hotel, to be specific, at Virginia Beach. Advertisements for this resort appear regularly in the three Toronto dailies.**

**In its letters to travel agents, the hotel adds a foot-note in capital letters, PLEASE RESTRICT SALES TO WHITE CHRISTIANS.**

## JEWISH MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

Rabbi Abraham Feinberg, of Holy Blossom Temple, has contributed a most interesting article on Jewish attitudes to Sex, Marriage, and Divorce, which appears in the current issue of Maclean's Magazine.

As are all Rabbi Feinberg's articles, this one is a sound exposition of Jewish views and traditions and will no doubt contribute much to broader understanding of the laws set down by the sages of the Talmud.

One point however is rather paradoxical. It relates to the very sensible Jews laws about divorce — laws based upon reason, not upon purely puritanical concepts. Yet — Reform Temples do not recognize Jewish divorces, only civil ones, so that a divorced person may re-marry in a Reform Temple without obtaining a Jewish "gett." In Orthodox and conservative synagogues, a Jewish "gett" is obligatory, before re-marriage.

# THE WOMAN AND THE HOME

## CHILDREN'S CORNER by Deborah

### KEEP SMILING

**VALUE**

Sammy: "How much am I worth, papa?"

Papa: "To me you are worth a million dollars."

Sammy: "Well, then, could you advance me a quarter on account?"

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**TRUE**

A young surgeon received a telephone call from a colleague who invited him to make a fourth hand at bridge.

"Going out, dear?" his wife asked suspiciously.

"I'm afraid so," was the brave reply. "It's a very important case. In fact, three doctors are there already."

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**MATTER OF OPINIONS**

A Russian about to be sentenced to Siberia had this to say to the court: "If the United States is such a terrible place why not send me there instead of sending me to Siberia?"

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**A LA MYRON COHEN**

Miami is God's country . . . He's the only one who can afford it! It's the land of the palms . . . all open. It's got hotels and motels. Some motels are built so poorly that you can hear the lady next door changing her mind.

When you get to Miami . . . you'll know it. No matter how hot it is, the women who have them will be wearing their mink coats.

One Park Avenue society girl arrived in Miami on a day in which the temperature had zoomed well over 100. As she got out of her car, she was overcome by the heat and fainted. A crowd of concerned bystanders gathered around her.

"Get a glass of water!" shouted one.

"Get a doctor!" screamed another.

"Open up her mink!" yelled a third.

### OUR QUIZ

**QUESTIONS:**

1. What Biblical books are named after women?
2. In what two books of the Bible is God's name not mentioned?
3. Did Saul's armour fit David?
4. In Biblical history, who was the most beloved mother-in-law?
5. Why was Abram's name changed to Abraham?

**ANSWERS:**

**1. The Book of Ruth and the Book of Esther.**
**2. In the Song of Songs and in the Book of Esther.**
**3. No. Saul was "higher than any of his people from his shoulders and upward." 1 Samuel 10:24.**
**4. Naomi, Ruth's mother-in-law. Book of Ruth 1:14.**
**5. Abram means "AbRam", exalted father; Abraham means "father of a great multitude" Genesis 17:5.**

### Recipe of the Week

**MANDELBRODT (Komishbrodt)**

2¾ cups sifted all-purpose flour (about)
4 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
3 eggs
1 cup sugar (scant)
6 tablespoons vegetable oil
Grated rind of 1 lemon
½ teaspoon vanilla or almond extract
½ cup coarsely chopped blanched almonds

Mix and sift flour, baking powder, and salt. Beat eggs and sugar together until light. Add remaining ingredients in order given and blend well. The dough should be soft. With floured hands form 2 long loaves about 3 inches wide and ¾ inch high on a well floured board. Bake in long narrow pans or on greased cookie sheets in moderate oven (350degrees) until lightly browned, 40 to 50 minutes. While still warm cut into ½ inch slices and return to oven to toast until browned, or brown quickly under broiler flame. Yield: about 30 to 40.

**Chocolate filled mandelbrodt: Mix and add 3 teaspoons cocoa and 1 teaspoon sugar to ¼ of the dough. Form into a ½-inch roll and wrap rolled and flattened white dough around it. Shape into 2 rolls and bake.**


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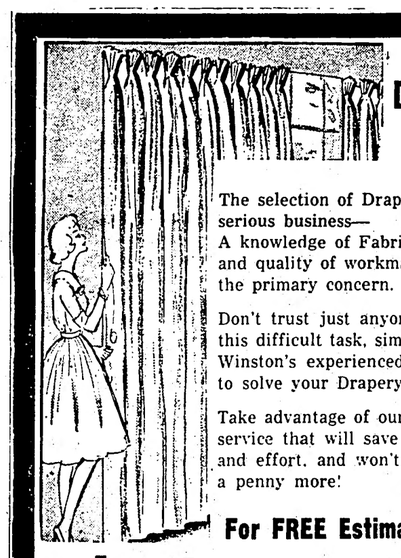

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# Those Were The Days

BY RUTHIE

This is the time of year when picnics are very much in order. They are a delight to all and no trouble for anyone. A successful picnic can be had at any time.

Someone in the family pokes his head outside in the early morning, sniffs the fresh air and bounces back yelling, "It's a gorgeous day for a picnic!"

All of us become charged with enthusiasm — except mother. She thinks, **"Nu, a glick Hut mir betrosket!** A picnic! What about the roast already in the oven?"

Mother's objections, however, are overruled. There always is the picnic basket in the trunk of the car. And in the basket are paper plates, paper napkins, paper cups, plastic utensils, a two-quart thermos jug, anything you can think of. Next to the picnic basket stands a small portable refrigerator, enough to handle a few bottles of pop. So "go fight City Hall!"

All mother has to do is transfer the roast from the oven to the basket, and she's ready.

We get into the car and we're off! In no time we arrive at our destination. We find a table and benches, spread out a tablecloth, set the table as at home, pile on the food, — and in less time than it takes to tell, it's all gone.

Then the kids play ball or what-have-you, mommy and daddy relax in the sun, and, after awhile, we go home. Thus ends a lovely day. It's as organized as that.

However, that certain something is missing. I remember the picnics we had when I was a youngster.

Mama and Papa planned it for days. In fact, the entire street was in on it. Papa rounded up about half a dozen cronies to assure himself a good pinochle game. Mama and the other wives decided who would bring what. She took a big pot of chicken salad prepared the night before. Someone else brought the delicatessen. What's a picnic without hot dogs, salami, pastrami, corned beef, relish, **knubble wurst?** Another neighbor provided cookies, studel, sponge cake. The papas brought the drinks. We, kids, were in heaven.

Our picnics were invariably on a Sunday. However, there was one hitch. We had to do our homework the night before. Who could concentrate upon homework with a picnic pending?

"Aw, ma, be a sport."

"Don't you **sport** me. No homework — no picnic."

So, **nebich,** we had to do our homework.

Sunday morning started off cloudy. Do you think mama felt daunted? **Hulielah!** One look at her defiant face, and old Sol decided to come out from behind the clouds if he knew what was good for him.

We were off, the whole block en masse. But not by car. We couldn't afford that luxury. We took the subway For our nickel carfare (in those days everything was a nickel), we rode to a destination **oif yenem eck velt.** We figured, as long as it cost money, we'd ride as far as the train would go, and in New York — we sure got our money's worth . . .

Did we, children, love it! We bounded down those sub way steps, tried all the hershey and chicklet machines till the train arrived, and generally made nuisances of ourselves. Nor were we mannerly in the train. The spirit of fun was upon us. Nothing could curb our exuberance. We jumped up and down, seeing who was tall enough to reach the straps. Those of us who did not have seats sat on the valises which contained the food. Our joy was endless. Indeed adults could most certainly learn from children. It takes so little to make them happy.

Finally we reached the picnic grounds. One wanted this "spot", another pointed to a different site, someone else suggested a place near the lake. We, kids, didn't care where we parked. We had already removed our shoes and were running on the grass, our feet moist with dew.

Suddenly we were awfully hungry.

**"Vart a bissel",** pleaded mama. "We just came. It's not yet noon."

Nothing helped. Papa, bless him, pulled a bag from his pocket.

"What's that?" from mama.

"Nothing. Just a **Forshpeiz."**

Some **Forshpeiz!** Great, big **zemel** sandwiches that contained cream cheese and lox, **feinkuchen,** sardines! M-m-m! The closest I get to a **zemel** now is a Parker house roll.

Don't think our appetites were spoiled. Give the kids a one day outing and you can throw out all vitamin pills and appetite inducers. In between ball-playing, dancing, fighting, running, we ate whatever food was available as though we had never had a morsel before. That's not all. We were the best customers the candy vendor had that day.

All too soon the sun set. Tired, but happy, we allowed our parents to lead us home. The ride home was far different from that in the morning. Every child sat on a mother's or father's lap, lulled to sleep by the chug-chug of the train. We were carried home and put to bed with no strength to protest. The only thing that marred the beautiful day was our having to take laxative to get the "junk" out of our system.


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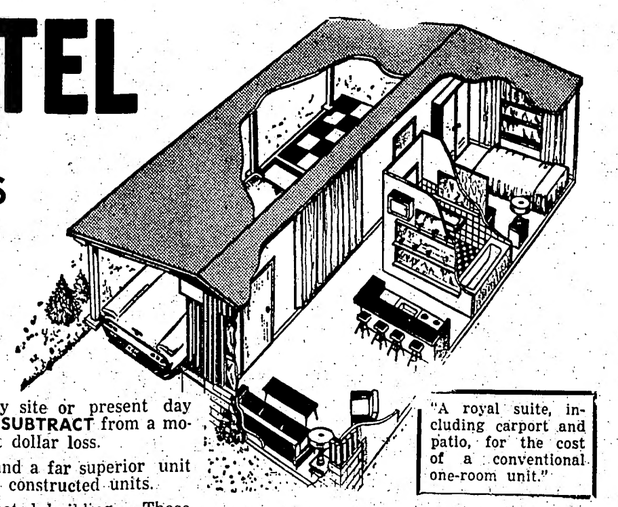

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B'NAI B'RITH INSTALLS TOP TORONTO OFFICERS

Newly installed President of the Toronto B'nai B'rith Co-ordinating Committee Hy Lampert (right) presents a scroll for Distinguished Service to retiring President Sidney Seligman. The Co-ordinating Committee is made up of the senior officers and past presidents of the more than 30 Toronto B'nai B'rith Lodges (men) and Chapters (women) representing more than 7,000 members of the world's largest Jewish service organization. Other officers installed were Sydney Faibish, first vice-president; Harry Frank, second vice-president; Mrs. Sarah Metzenbaum, third vice-president; Harriet Borins, secretary; Eric Exton, treasurer and trustees Irving Chapley, Al Epstein, Mrs. Sybil Ginsberg, Bernard Kay, David Kofsky, E. M. Margolese, Mrs. Hilda Ronson and Mrs. Helen Stork.

# Zifkin Re-Elected President Of Toronto Zionist Council

Harry Zifkin was re-elected President of the Toronto Zionist Council at the Election Meeting of Council.

This is Mr. Zifkin's second term as President of this body, which functions as the Executive branch of the Zionist Organization of Canada in the city of Toronto and as co-Partner of the Toronto United Jewish Appeal in conjunction with the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto.

Mr. Zifkin is a member of the American Association of Bio-Analysts, Canadian Society of Radiographers, Biological Photographical Association and a member of the Royal Philatelic Society. He has been extremely active in the Zionist Movement for many years and his lectures, which are accompanied by his renowned collection of Israel colour slides, have won him acclaim in communities across Canada.

In his future administration, Mr. Zifkin will be supported by a slate of important communal leaders — among them: Alderman Philip G. Givens, Arthur Minden, Q.C., and Dr. Mark Zimmerman, who will serve as Vice Presidents; Mrs. John R. Devor, President of Toronto Hadassah, who will act as Honorary Secretary, and the well known community leader, Stephen E. Berger, as Treasurer.

Among the important committee Chairmen who were elected at this meeting are the following:

State of Israel Bond Committee—Morley J. Pape

Camp Shalom Committee—Miss Anne Brown

Constitution Committee—Mrs. Lily I. Sherizen-Sharon, Q. C.

Credentials Committee—Miss Mary Barrer

Education Committee—Julius Hayman

Expansion Committee—Gordon Mendly

Hadassah Liaison—Mrs. Maurice A. Lavine

Hebrew Culture Committee—Leon Sharon

Hebrew University Committee—Mrs. Ida Siegel

Herzl Centennial Committee—Max Goody

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Tourism Committee—Mark Gross

United Israel Appeal Com.—Mannie Brown

United Zionist Council Com.—Robert H. Soren

Young Judaea and Zionist Youth Committee—Allan Lewis

Youth Aliyah Committee—Edwin A. Goodman, Q.C.

Zionist Clubs and Organization Committee—Mort Margolius

Zionist Luncheon Club—Rabbi Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg

Warden—Samuel I. Cohen

One of the first tasks of the new administration will be the election of delegates to the forthcoming National Convention of the Zionist Organization of Canada which will be held in Montreal from October 29th to November 1st, 1960.

## ENGAGEMENTS

**Nancy Kale, who is rapidly making a name for herself as a model in Toronto, took part in the Fashion Show held at the B'nai B'rith Carnival.**

**Nancy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Hartstone, 162 Ava Road.**

**Nancy's engagement has just been announced to Mr. Barry Freeman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Freeman, 219 Ranee Ave., the wedding to take place on Tuesday, September 13th, 1960 at Beth Sholom Synagogue.**

## BIRTHS

**Brown, Sidney and Esther (nee Warner) are thrilled to announce the safe arrival of their son, on Sunday, May 22, 1960, at the Toronto General Hospital. A brother for Marlene and Jeffrey. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Warner.**

*Reports From All Over Ontario*

# Activities In The Province

### DAVID PETERS, SAM SABLE, ADDRESS GUELPH JEWRY

GUELPH (CJN). Dr. Simon Witt chaired this year's campaign in Guelph, which started with a parlour meeting at his home. Two prominent Torontonians participated in this meeting: David Peters, President of the Zionist Organization of Canada, Central Division, reported on the meeting held a few weeks ago in New York for community leaders across Canada and the U. S. A. with Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion; and Sam Sable, prominent Toronto UJA leader, spoke on the importance of increased contributions for the various causes represented by the Canadian Jewish Congress and Zionist Organization of Canada.

This parlour meeting was followed by a community banquet on May 19th, at which Colonel Dov Sinai of the Israel Army General Staff spoke on the problems facing Israel today. The Pledges made this year show a 12% increase over the amount raised in 1959.

### WOMEN ACTIVE IN WINDSOR

WINDSOR (CJN). The Women's Division of the Windsor United Jewish Appeal commenced its activities in the middle of May and culminated its affairs at a luncheon, at which Mr. David Ben Dov, Cultural Attache of the Embassy of Washington, was the guest of honour. The Women's Division is headed by Mesdames H. R. Schwartz, D. Mandel, A. H. Katzman.

### HAYMAN ADDRESSED PETERBOROUGH COMMUNITY

PETERBOROUGH (CJN). — A. Herzl and Independence Day Celebration was held in this Community on May 15th, co-sponsored by the Welfare Fund of Peterborough and the Zionist Organization of Canada. The guest speaker was Mr. Julius Hayman, Editor of the Jewish Standard and Vice President of the ZOC Central Division, who spoke on the life of Herzl. Miss Evelyn Gould, noted CBC radio and television star, accompanied by Miss Sarah Barkin, completed the programme which was arranged by Rabbi A. M. Babb.

### SHERMAN HEAD OF CHATHAM CAMPAIGN

CHATHAM (CJN). George Sherman headed the campaign in his community, at which time Colonel Dov Sinai of the Israel Army was the guest of honour. The meeting, which was very well attended, wound up with an 18% increase in pledges over the total raised in 1959.

Dov Sinai was introduced by Mike Ordon, President of the Children of Jacob Congregation and a reception in his honour was arranged by the Hadassah ladies of that community.

Prior to the evening ,a private supper meeting was arranged by Mr. Sherman in the William Pitt Hotel at which Mr. Michael Sumner of Windsor, participated on behalf of the Joint Fund Raising Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and Zionist Organization of Canada. Mr.Sumner who spoke on the Canadian goals to be reached this year, was introduced by Dr. George Liban, Executive Director of the Zionist Organization of Canada, Central Division.

### 95% OF OWEN SOUND COMMUNITY ORGANIZED

OWEN SOUND (CJN). A 30% increase was affected at this year's campaign in Owen Sound, which was chaired by Mr. Ellis Miller.

After an address by Colonel Dov Sinai of the Israel Army, Mr. I. Kornblum made the appeal which brought substantial increases. 95% of the community participated in the campaign.

A reception in honour of the guest was arranged after the meeting by the ladies of the community.

Dr. George Liban, extended the thanks of the Joint Fund Raising Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and Zionist Organization of Canada.

### ZIONIST EVENING IN NIAGARA FALLS

NIAGARA FALLS (CJN). — David Pullan, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee of the Niagara Falls Jewish Community, was in charge of a Zionist Evening held on May 18th, Colonel Dov Sinai was guest speaker.

Colonel Sinai, discussed defense problems facing the State of Israel and also presented a new colour film on the Israel army to the capacity audience.

## Many Nazis

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**When asked whether Eichmann had admitted his indentity, the Minister replied: "Yes." In reply to other questions, the Minister said that the police had not yet interrogated Eichmann. He had been remanded for 14 days, and it was possible to extend the validity of this order. One of the journalists wanted to know whether rumours that Eichmann had been found in Kuwait were true. The Minister replied : "I answered this question in the Knesset some time ago. I said that the British authorities had denied this."**

**In conclusion, the Minister of Justice announced that the Israell law concerning Nazi criminals and their assistants was applicable to crimes against the Jewish people as well as other people. Israel had not asked for Eichmann's extradititon. Asked about the place where Eichmann was captured, the Minister replied: "This is precisely the question which I cannot answer."**

## The Men Who Captured Eichmann

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was outlawed in the Jewish underground. Again the obvious reason is security. One high officer in today's secret services is a lawyer from Iraq who distinguished himself in the underground in that Arab state.

The identities of all operatives are classified secrets. If an operative must appear in court, his testimony is usually given in camera.

The prosecutor obviously knows the operative's name, but how is he identified to the court? He hands his identity card—all Israelis carry them—to the judge and the defense attorney. No one else sees it.

But what if the defense attorney is a security risk? "We have never had to face this problem as yet," the gray-haired man said, implying that every defense lawyer in such cases has been investigated. "If the problem ever arises," he added with a shrug, "we may have to drop the case rather than endanger our man's identity. Not every criminal is arrested, after all."

## Toronto Club Grants To Hebrew University

Arthur Minden, Chairman of the Toronto Chapter, Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, announced that the Lady Reading Club has once again made its annual grant of $150.00 towards the Law Faculty Library at the University of Jerusalem.

The Lady Reading Club is made up of the wives of Jewish Members of Toronto's legal profession and its major project in recent years has been that of providing support for the Law School in Israel.

In addition, this group of women has this year provided four $100.00 scholarship bursaries for students at the School of Law of the Hebrew University.

OUR CITIZENS

## A Torontonian — Signpainter & Artist

**TOBIAS GREENBLATT, a Torontonian, is a sign painter by trade. His hobby—portrait painting, an art in which he excells, as one can see from this portrait of the late Rabbi Abraham Silbesstein. Mr. Greenblatt comes from Kielee, Poland. He has been living in Toronto since 1928.**

**He took up art while he was convalescing from an illness.**

## CAMP SHALOM "BURNS" MORTGAGE

The National Executive of the Zionist Organization of Canada was treated to an interesting interlude during its meeting held at the Royal York Hotel recently.

Miss Anne Brown, Chairman of the Central Region Camp Committee, was granted fifteen minutes in the midst of a heavy agenda to report the discharge of a Camp Shalom obligation and to enlist the National President's participation in the "burning of a note" ceremony.

Miss Brown referred briefly to the progress made at Camp Shalom since its inception twelve years ago. "We have presented a Zionist programme," she said, "in the proper Jewish setting regularly, have worked continuously toward the development of future Zionist leaders in the Province of Ontario, and I may say that well over fifty percent of the campers who attend the camp are from centres outside Toronto."

In 1955 the recreation hall was built and, in order to do this, a loan of $9,500 was obtained through the National Organization. The note called for annual repayment of principle and interest until the final payment which was due in October of 1960. The final payment, in fact, was made in January, some 9 months ahead of time. Miss Brown referred briefly to the progress Camp Shalom has made in capital construction and in landscaping.

When the report was concluded, Mr. Freeman lauded the Camp Committee on its fine work. The President then burned the note amid general applause.

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## BUT NOW IT'S DOLLS

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**Lawrence is the company treasurer; Irving the secretary and Harvey, a director. Another Samuels . . . Ben L. . . . is a vice president in charge of the factory. He is a brother of the president. Final post on the directorate is that of vice president in charge of sales, held by J. C. Schaffter. He is quoted as saying, jokingly, "one of these days I expect to be adopted." For more than 20 years he has been associated with Mr. Samuels Sr.**

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**"I was always fond of toys" he says, as an explanation for choosing them as an occupation.**

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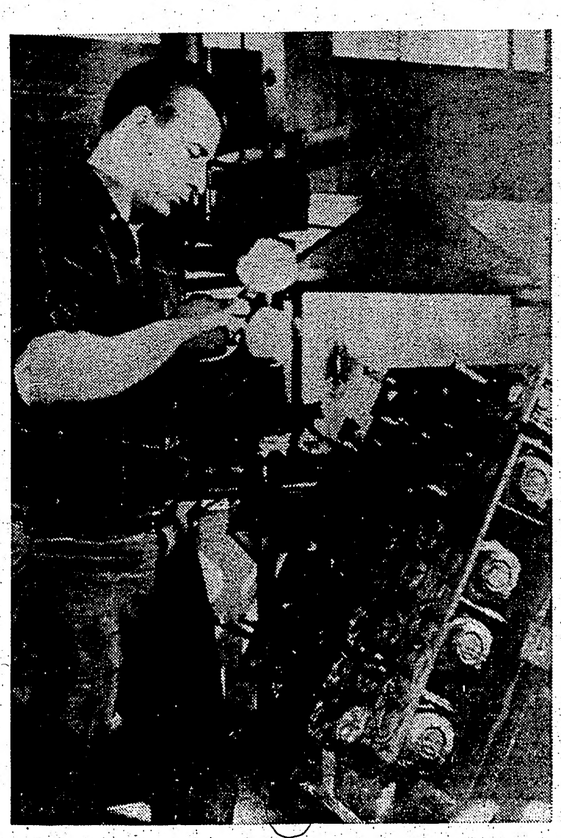

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# In Our Town And Elsewhere

### MIZRACHI WOMEN'S PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL

The third pilgrimage to Israel sponsored by the Mizrachi Women's Organization of America has just arrived in Israel. Among the 92 persons from 11 States and Canada who will tour the Holy Land and visit the network of child-care, social-welfare and educational projects sponsored by the organization, are Mr. and Mrs. Jacobovitch, of Toronto

### SPORTSMEN'S LODGE AWARDS

Sportsmen of the Year awards, presented at the fifth annual awards dinner of Sportsmen Lodge, B'Nai Brith held recently, were made to thoroughbred horse trainer Johnny Starr, and turf writer, Joe Perlove.

### WINDSOR LOSES PIONEER LEADER

The Jewish community of Windsor is mourning the passing of one of its most colorful leaders, Mr. Simon Meretsky who passed away at the age of 80. Mr. Meretsky served as an alderman in the city Council of Windsor for many years, and was one of the city's proudest boosters. He was prominent in business circles as well, as director of Paramount Windsor theatres, and a major property owner.

In 1950 Mr. Meretsky was honored in Toronto at a dinner sponsored by the Canadian Picture Pioneers. More than 350 repreesntatives of the movie industry paid tribute to him on that occasion.

Mr. Meretsky was founder of the Shaar Zedek and the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogues in Windsor.

Mr. Meretsky's daughter. Florence Kert, Toronto Hadassah leader, passed away last month.

### A Torontonian Who "Knew" Eichmann

**In connection with the arrest of monster Eichmann we spoke to Laszlo Denes, a Budapest-born photographer who lives in Toronto, and who has his first exhibition at the International Cinema.**

**His warm and simple photographs are mostly of Israel and Israeli types, and they can be taken together as a kind of celebration of the joys of building Israel. He shoots a farmer and Ben-Gurion, a soldier and a beautiful girl, a foreman and a small child; and in their faces his camera reads a combination of determination, hope and sorrow.**

**A reporter of the "Star" says that he is convinced that Israel must be one of the most exciting places in the world.**

**Laszlo Denes remembers Eichmann's visit to the camp at Manthausen, Austria, where Denes was housed in "block 20-21".**

**Denes was freed in May, 1945, by the U.S. Army, but his sister and brother were not so fortunate. They were victims of Eichmann, "the killer in Himmler's office", as Denes describes him.**

### HOLY BLOSSOM DEDICATION

Dedication of the new Religious School, Children's Chapel and Congregational Hall of Holy Blossom Temple will be an outstanding event of Sunday, June 5th. Following the dedication services to which oustanding leaders of the community at large have also been invited, conducted tours of the new building will take place.

### SISTERHOOD INSTALLATION

Installation services for the newly-elected officers of the Adath Israel Sisterhood will take place in the Oval Room on Tuesday evening, June 7th. The new executive members are : President, Sylvia Grossman; Vice Pres., Goldie Kay, Sadye Madonick, Belle Taft; Rec. Secy, Florence Solomon; Corr. Sec'y, Gert Wainberg; Treas., Ethel Gordon; Fin. Sec'y, Anne Silverman.

# Balfour Lodge Activities

Balfour Lodge, of the Zionist Men's Association, went on an unusual outing during the last long week end. In keeping with Balfour's "Beacon of Hope" campaign, the lodge toured the "Cottage District" selling lightbulbs for UJA. Arrangements were made with stores in the Jackson's Point area to allow Balfour to carry on their campaign within the stores during the summer months, starting in June. It is hoped that the Jewish community of that area will remember to buy bulbs from Balfour when they are in need.

The "Beacon of Hope" is unique in the methods used for raising funds for UJA. The Executive of Canadian Westinghouse has granted Balfour Lodge special permission to sell their **newest** light bulb, as yet **not even on the market,** with the profits going to the UJA.

On May 29th Balfour will hold its installation Banquet at the Zionist Centre. The guest speaker will be Mr. Max Goody, Vice-President of the ZMA. Mr. Lionel Miskin, the outgoing Welfare Chairman and newly elected Vice-President, will make the presentation.

The National office of the Zionist Men's Association and many National Officers of the Zionist Organization of Canada have highly praised Balfour Lodge for its latest venture — the "BEACON OF HOPE" campaign.

# Canadian Panorama

BY MORDECAI HIRSHENSON

### JEW TO REPRESENT CANADA

Sidney Pierce who is Canada's ambassador to Belgium and Luxembourg has been given the additional post of being Canada's emissary to the European Economic Community.

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### THE BOARD OF CONTROL CONTEST

Two sitting Jewish aldermen have tossed their hat in the ring for the coming Board of Control elections — Philip Givens of Ward Five and Herbert Orilffe of neighboring Ward Four. Both are veterans of City Council and are well known in the Jewish community.

The last and only Jew to sit on Toronto's Board of Contrtol was Joe Singer Q.C., who served in the year 1923. Mr Singer still practices law in down town Toronto, having retired from municipal politics many years ago.

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### WHEN DEPRESSION SHUT THE TALMUD TORAH

It is now 25 years since the Toronto Hebrew Free School on Brunswick Avenue was closed down for the second half of an entire school term because of severe financial distress. The doors were shut in March of the depression year of 1935 after the Board could not guarantee the teachers at least half of the arrears in back salaries that had accumulated unpaid for many weeks. Large sums were owing in interest to banks and mortgage companies who were pressing for payment. The future of the Brunswick Avenue Talmud Torah — an institution in which the community had taken great pride—looked indeed bleak.

The situation was eventually saved by a group of younger men led by late Bernard Vise. Mr. Vise —a communally-minded insurance agent, then in his early thirties — recruited men such as Sam Godfrey, Ben Sadowski, George Yavner, Meyer Gasner, Harold Famber, Irving Oelbaum, C. Benjamin and others. A fiscal plan was worked out to re-open the Talmud Torah and keep it on a sound basis.

The Eitz Chaim Talmud Torah, further downtown on Darcy street, survived the blows of the Depression Decade without having to face this kind of near-fatal crisis. Its teachers received salary payments without fail throughout the 1930's and its classes never closed down.

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### EX-LEFTISTS EMBRACE ISRAEL'S CAUSE

**Fraternally Yours,** organ of the New Fraternal Jewish Association, the group which has split off from the pro-Communist UJPO, continues to be a revealing source reflecting the searchings and directions of this uprooted and disillusioned element.

The lead headline for its third issue was:

### GREETINGS TO MEDINAT ISRAEL ON ITS TWELFTH ANNIVERSARY

followed by a portrait of Tzivia Lubetkin, the noted Ghetto fighter and Israeli kibbutznik, who is featured as "our honoured guest."

A feature article by Morris Biderman deals with Israel's Yom Haatzma'ut, the article being a paean of praise for Israel's achievement. Biderman was formerly the nerve-centre of the Red-oriented UJPO; if he would ever mention Israel he would always deplore its "bourgeois domination" and "Zionist corruption."

President Paul Kirzner reports that there are prospects of the group opening its own secular afternoon Jewish school for children. "We can certainly lick any problem of finances or physical space" he writes, with the glow of optimism . . . "all we need is the desire and enthusiasm of parents."

At the other end of the agenda a burial area is also being contemplated. The Albert Einstein Lodge a group that was close to the UJPO is now with the "New Fraternals."

Only the occasional use of terminology like the name "German Democratic Republic" (when referring to a Berthold Brecht play) reveal a relic of Communist nomenclature. The USSR is not mentioned anywhere in the twelve page small-format bulletin—as though it were an embarrassing concept they would prefer to forget.


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This Election Meeting will take place in the Zionist Centre, 651 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, on Sunday, June 5th, at 10.15 a.m. (breakfast will be served).

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London, (JCNS) — European newspapers of all shades have given Eichmann's arrest and future trial large banner headlines on the front pages, and published editorials commenting on Israel's determination to judge the Nazi murderer.

The London "Times", commented the determination of the Government of Israel to bring Adolf Eichmann to trial on a capital charge in a national court, and said "it is not formally illegal".

"Israel", said the 'Times', "as a sovereign state, is entitled to treat any person physically within its territory in accordance with its own law. Its law has provided a process for the trial of Nazis and their collaborators for offences alleged to have been committed in a hostile country during the period of the Nazi regime - in thus describing Germany. Israel presumably speaks as a successor state to Palestine, which, under the British mandate, was part of the allied collectivity to which Germany, by the act of unconditional surrender, abdicated its sovereignty. It is not disputed that a sovereign state may make laws having extra-territorial application, nor though this is in ordinary circumstances to be deprecated - that its laws may have retrospective effect. More simply, a sovereign state is not answerable to any external authority for what it chooses to do to a person in its power. It may, of course, be diplomatically answerable to the state whose subject that person is; but that is not a legal question".

**"Is there a moral case against the action Israel proposes to take? The charges against Eichmann include crimes against the Jewish people and against humanity. These offences come within the category of "persecutions on political racial or religious grounds" for which, by Article 6 of the Nuremburg Charter of 1945, individuals may be held responsible, "whether or not in violation of the domestic law of the country where perpetrated". These last words clearly exclude the argument that Eichmann should be handed over for trial by a German court . . ."**

The "Daily Telegraph", in a leader published today, and entitled "Shades of Belsen", said:

"None of the war criminals had better earned a place in the dock at Nuremberg than Adolf Eichmann, the former S.S. leader who is said to have been responsible for the death of some 6 million Jews during the Hitler regime. " . . . The only point at issue is, not whether Eichmann deserves his fate, but whether he will be better seen to have deserved it if judged by other than his victims. Would not the ends of justice be better served if he were to be extradited for trial in West Germany? Or could not a neutral bench of judges be specially convened for the purpose?

## Killer Of Jews

(Continued from Page One)

the prosecution evidence in Israel and abroad. Four other Israeli police officers will assist Mr. Zalinger.

Earlier the head of the Israeli Security Services denied press reports that a Polish Jew was instrumental in the arrest of Eichmann. Reports published by local newspapers and news agencies abroad saying that a Polish Jew was responsible for Eichmann's arrest have not been confirmed by Israeli official sources. The head of the Security Services also denied reports that monetary rewards would be paid to Eichmann's captors, and that any foreign power collaborated with the Israeli Secret Services in tracing Eichmann. "Eichmann's arrest and detection were purely Israeli work," he said.

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